

CAPSULE SUMMARY
BA-3041
Shriver House
607 Sudbrook Road
Pikesville, Baltimore County
1893
Private

The Shriver House at 607 Sudbrook Road is located in Sudbrook Park in Pikesville in the Third District of Baltimore County. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973, Sudbrook Park Historic District is significant as a small community designed and planned by Frederick Law Olmstead. George M. Shriver, a B&O Railroad attorney, was the original occupant of the house. Soon after the turn of the century the Howard family purchased the property and are responsible for the extensive additions built onto the rear of the dwelling. Bill Howard grew up in this house and later married well known movie actress Dorothy Lamour who would stay with her in-laws in Sudbrook Park during the Pimlico races. During the races other notorious persons, such as Bob Hope and Bing Crosby, would drop by for a visit.

This Shingle-style dwelling, built 1893, is sited on a level grassy lot with a paved driveway among foundation plantings and mature trees and shrubs. The two-and-a-half story, three-bay dwelling has a random rubble foundation with raised mortar supporting a wood frame structural system clad with aluminum siding. The off-center entry has a one-leaf wood door with a one-light transom. The first story also features a bay window and a cut-away corner. The inset wrap-around front porch is set on brick piers and features wood Tuscan columns and square cut balusters. The first- and second-story have wood sash windows with 1/1-lights set in thin square surrounds with square sills. The second-story features an oriel window with a 1/1-light sash window set between two fixed lights, and a tripartite window with one-light casements flanking a 1/1-light arched window. A two-story side porch is screened on the second story. The house has a gambrel roof covered with asphalt shingles and one interior brick chimney which has a corbeled cap and a hood. Associated with the property is one historic carriage house.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic	Shriver House
other	

2. Location

street and number	607 Sudbrook Road	___	not for publication
city, town	Sudbrook Park	___	vicinity
county	Baltimore County		

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name	Ninita B. Smith				
street and number	607 Sudbrook Road			telephone	Not Available
city, town	Baltimore	state	MD	zip code	21208-4730

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.	Baltimore County Courthouse	tax map and parcel:	78, 420
city, town	Towson	liber	12430 folio 487

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report
☐ Other

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
___ district	___ public	___ agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
X building(s)	X private	___ commerce/trade	___ 2 ___ buildings
___ structure	___ both	___ defense	___ sites
___ site		X domestic	___ structures
___ object		___ education	___ objects
		___ funerary	___ 2 ___ 0 Total
		___ government	
		___ health care	
		___ industry	
		___ landscape	
		___ recreation/culture	
		___ religion	
		___ social	
		___ transportation	
		___ work in progress	
		___ unknown	
		___ vacant/not in use	
		___ other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			0

7. Description

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Condition

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| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> altered |

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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Associated with the property is one historic carriage house. The one-and-a-half-story, three-bay carriage house, circa 1910, has a concrete block foundation and a wood frame structural system clad with wood German weatherboard. The building features wood sash windows with 2/2-lights on the first story and in the side shed dormers. The building has a gambrel roof and a skirt roof both clad with asphalt shingles.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates 1893 Architect/Builder Unknown

Construction dates 1893

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register ☐ Maryland Register ☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

This house at 607 Sudbrook Road is located in Sudbrook Park near the town of Pikesville in the Third District of Baltimore County. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973, Sudbrook Park Historic District is significant as a small community designed and planned by Frederick Law Olmstead. It was planned as a summer resort for wealthy Baltimore residents at the turn of the 20th century. In 1890, the Sudbrook Company purchased a 204 acre tract just south of Reisterstown Road in Pikesville. During the hiatus of his career, Olmstead was commissioned to design Sudbrook Park. One acre of land was set aside by the company for a depot for the Western Maryland Railway.

Known for his emphasis on nature, Olmstead designed Sudbrook Park with importance on curvilinear streets, large lots, and an abundance of mature trees and vegetation. The houses in Sudbrook Park were designed with several deed restrictions. The structure was required to be sited forty feet back from the street and ten feet from neighboring property lines. The height of each property was to be three stories and the styles allowed were rural and not urban.(1)

George M. Shriver, a B&O Railroad attorney, was the original occupant of the house.(2) Soon after the turn of the century the Howard family purchased the property and are responsible for the extensive additions built onto the rear of the dwelling. Bill Howard grew up in this house and later married well known movie actress Dorothy Lamour who would stay with her in-laws in Sudbrook Park during the Pimlico races. During the races other notorious persons, such as Bob Hope and Bing Crosby, would drop by for a visit.(3)

ENDNOTES

1. Sudbrook Park Historic District Nomination, National Register of Historic Places (Washington, DC: NPS, 1973).
2. Melanie D. Anson, Olmsted's Sudbrook The Making of a Community (Baltimore, MD: Sudbrook Park, Inc., 1997), p.76
3. Beryl Frank, Way Back When, (Baltimore: Sudbrook Park, Inc., 1997). pp. 37-38.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See continuation sheet.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 1.99 acres

Acreage of historical setting 1.99 acres

Quadrangle name Baltimore West

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Constructed circa 1895, this dwelling is located at 607 Sudbrook Road in Sudbrook Park Historic District in Pikesville in the Third District of Baltimore County. It has historically been associated with tax map 78 parcel 420 since its construction.

11. Form Prepared By

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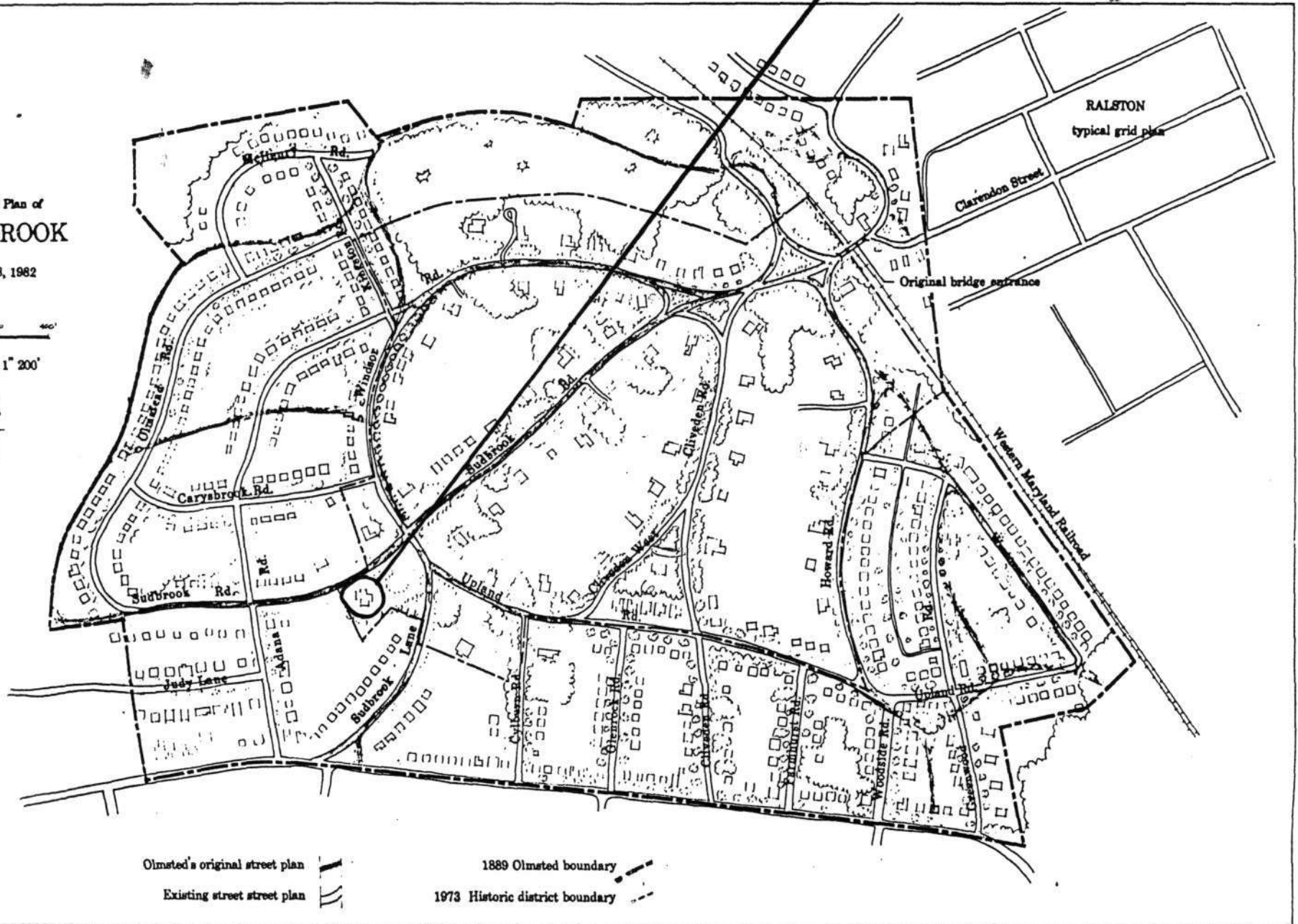
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 Shriver House
 607 Sudbrook Road
 Pikesville, Baltimore County
 Towson, MD USGS Map

General Plan of SUDBROOK

July 28, 1982

Scale: 1" = 200'



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Sudbrook Park Historic District
Pikesville, Baltimore County
Baltimore West, USGS Map





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